

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re Application of:

KATZMAN, et al.

Appl. No.: 10/550,190

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Examiner: SCHNEIDER, Craig M.

Confirmation No. 7379

Art Unit: 3753

Title: **GAS PURGE VALVE**

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of October 29, 2007. The three-month shortened statutory period to respond was set to expire January 29, 2008; accordingly, a petition for a one-month Extension of Time accompanies this Response. Please charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayments of Deposit Account No. 14-0112.

In view of the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page **2** of this paper, and include an attached appendix of replacement drawing sheets, beginning on page **29**.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page **3** of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page **6** of this paper.

Remarks begin on page **14** of this paper.